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VIA REGULAR MAIL

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: ET Docket No. 08-59
Ex Parte Statement

Dear Ms. Dortch:

As the Commission's records reflect, Cessna Aircraft Company (Cessna) has commented on the proposed operation of Medical Body Area Network Systems in the band 2360-2395 MHz. In particular, Cessna has stressed the importance of protecting flight test telemetry from potential interference.

Cessna is also a member of the Aerospace and Flight Test Radio Coordinating Council ("AFTRCC"). Cessna has supported AFTRCC's filings in this proceeding, and has participated actively with AFTRCC in the negotiations with GE Healthcare ("GEH") and Philips Healthcare ("Philips"), concerning a possible resolution. Those negotiations have led to a joint proposal advanced by AFTRCC, GEH, and Philips. The joint proposal looks toward the Commission's adoption of rules and a coordination regime which would protect sensitive flight test telemetry from harmful MBANS interference consistent with ITU-R Recommendation M. 1459.

Cessna is pleased that the parties, working in good faith, have been able to reach a resolution which provides a framework for protecting sensitive flight test receivers while also accommodating a new and beneficial use of the spectrum resource. They have been aided in this regard by the unusual circumstances which characterize the proposed MBANS operation, circumstances which are unlikely to be replicated in other contexts.

Therefore, Cessna submits this filing to memorialize our conditional support for the joint proposal. The proposed rules and coordination regime are the result of many months of discussions and technical analysis to craft a unique proposal that adequately protects flight test telemetry receivers, while sharing spectrum with secondary MBANS operations. Changes to the terms could result in renewed interference concerns for critical safety-of-life flight test operations. Cessna's support and the withdrawal of its initial objections are limited to the FCC approval of the current, specific terms of the proposal. Cessna urges the Commission to adopt the proposal as presented by the parties.

Any questions regarding this filing may be directed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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